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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications & Energy
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
One South Station, 2nd Floor
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

**Re: Fiber Technologies Networks, LLC v. Verizon Massachusetts, et al.
Docket No. 03-56.**

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Verizon MA objects to the request of the claimant Fibertech, in its letter to you dated June 2, 2003, for a lengthy extension of time in which to respond to the motions to dismiss of Verizon MA and Western Massachusetts Electric Company (WMECO). Fibertech's request is in no way justified by the fact that another respondent, Massachusetts Electric Company (MECO), may file its own motion to dismiss at a later time. MECO has the additional time in which to file its motion only because Fibertech failed to serve its Complaint on MECO at the same time it served it on Verizon MA and WMECO. Fibertech should not be allowed to capitalize on its own error at the expense of Verizon MA and WMECO. In any event, Fibertech has made no showing how or why a separate response to MECO's anticipated motion would be prejudicial or cost-prohibitive.

That said, Verizon MA does not object to a reasonable extension of one week in which to respond to Verizon MA's motion to dismiss, as a courtesy in light of Fibertech's counsel's schedule. Accordingly, we suggest that Fibertech should be required to respond to the motion to dismiss by June 11, 2002.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/Alexander W. Moore

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Enclosures

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